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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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SUBJECT: Weekly Report for August 27, 2001- September 7, 2001

THE WEEK AHEAD

The Senate is in Recess until September 4.

The House is in Recess until September 5.

- **Unauthorized Disclosure of Classified Information:** On September 5, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will hold a hearing on the unauthorized disclosure of classified information. The Attorney General is scheduled to testify. (Walter)
- **Migration Issues:** The Senate Immigration Subcommittee has tentatively scheduled a hearing on migration issues for September 7. They have indicated an interest in an Administration witness, but have not sent an official notice or invitation. Staff from OLA are working to reschedule the hearing due to the State Visit of Mexican President Fox, September 5 and 6. (D. Burton)

THIS WEEK

- **Nominations:** The Senate Judiciary Committee held a nominations hearing on August 27 on the nominations of Sharon Prost, to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and Terry Wooten, to be a United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina. (Scott-Finan)
- **FY 2002 Intelligence Authorization Legislation:** The Senate Intelligence Committee is finalizing its annual intelligence authorization bill and is scheduled to mark it up on September 6. Provisions that are being considered include changes to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act and Title III wiretap law and broadened criminal sanctions for leaks of classified information. Representatives from the

Office of Intelligence Policy and Review, FBI, and CIA met on August 27 to discuss a proposed change to the National Security Act of 1947 related to the FBI and CIA's respective authorities in combating international terrorism and the agencies' opposition to it. The Attorney General is scheduled to testify before this Committee on September 5 on the leaks provision, which has sparked substantial opposition from media and civil liberties groups. (Walter)

- **FBI Report on Cambodia:** On Tuesday, August 28, the FBI and OLA will brief staff from Senator Helm's office regarding the declassification and further redaction of a 1997 grenade attack in Cambodia that injured one American citizen. (Coughlin)

LAST WEEK

- **Nominations:** The Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on August 22 on the nominations of Richard Nedelkoff, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, and Reggie Walton, to be a United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. (Scott-Finan)